

CITY OF MUSKEGON
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES

October 4, 2011

Chairperson J. Hilt called the meeting to order at 4:07 p.m. and roll was taken.

MEMBERS PRESENT: J. Hilt, L. Spataro, D. Mayville, K. Panozzo

MEMBERS ABSENT: S. Kroes, excused; L. Wood, S. Radtke

STAFF PRESENT: M. Franzak, D. Renkenberger

OTHERS PRESENT: J. Thompson, 1693 Jefferson St; M. Balkema, 1700 Clinton

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve the regular meeting minutes of September 6, 2011 was made by L. Spataro supported by K. Panozzo and unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Case 2011-09 – 1693 Jefferson Street. Applicant: John Thompson. District: Jefferson. Current Function: Residential. M. Franzak presented the staff report. The applicant is seeking to remove and rebuild the outside shed entrance to the basement. The siding will be changed from vinyl to wood, to match the rest of the house. The original door will be refurbished and reused and the original window will also be used. Staff recommends approval of the project.

J. Hilt asked if the entranceway would be the same size as the current one. J. Thompson stated that it would; he planned to use the same foundations, studs if possible, and the original wood siding that was under the aluminum. The roof was deteriorating and is the biggest problem. D. Mayville asked if the roof would be rebuilt with the same low slope. J. Thompson stated that it would. D. Mayville offered some suggestions to minimize the chance of future water damage.

A motion that the HDC approve the request to rebuild the outer shed entrance to the basement as described, as long as all zoning requirements are met and the necessary permits are obtained, was made by L. Spataro, supported by D. Mayville and unanimously approved.

Case 2011-10 – Various locations. Applicant: Mercy Health Partners. District: Clinton-Peck. Current Function: Residential. M. Franzak presented the staff report. The applicant is seeking approval to remove the current hospital directional signs and replace with new signs that include the new logo. The signs will be placed at 1562 Peck, 1624 Peck and on the corner of Peck and Dale. Staff recommends approval of the project.

M. Franzak provided drawings of the proposed new signs. He wanted to make the board aware of the plans, since the signs would be located in residential areas. L. Spataro asked if the signs would

be the same size and shape as the current ones. M. Balkema stated that the shape was changing slightly, and the signs would contain the hospital's new logo and colors.

A motion that the HDC approve the request to remove the current hospital directional signs and replace with new signs that include the new logo, as long as all zoning requirements are met and the necessary permits are obtained, was made by D. Mayville, supported by L. Spataro and unanimously approved.

Case 2011-11 – 1302 Ransom St. Applicant: Veleria Land. District: McLaughlin. Current Function: Residential. M. Franzak presented the staff report. The applicant is seeking approval to install a wooden handicap ramp on the Ransom St entrance of the home. Staff recommends approval of the project.

Love INC was assisting with the ramp installation, but they were not able to have a representative attend the meeting. Board members were concerned with whether the ramp would meet building code requirements. L. Spataro stated that it would be addressed when their permits were applied for through the City's building inspection department.

A motion that the HDC approve the request to install a wooden handicap ramp on the Ransom Street entrance of the home as long as all zoning and building code requirements are met, and the necessary permits are obtained, was made by L. Spataro, supported by K. Panozzo and unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

OTHER

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:25 p.m.